

PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES

Following is a resolution presented by the Ridge Chapter for action at the Annual Membership Meeting session at Ft. Lauderdale, June 17th to 19th, 1966.

WHEREAS: New members joining a chapter late in the fiscal year do not receive the benefits of the chapter membership for a full year under the current method of collecting dues; and the method of transferring from a member-at-large status to chapter membership should be spelled out.

AND WHEREAS: Since there are many qualified and willing to serve in an organization as large as the AHS, a person should not be asked to serve as President for longer than two years.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following changes

to the by-laws of the American Hibiscus Society be adopted and become effective immediately upon their adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion pertaining to chapter dues may be retroactive to January 1, 1966 if the chapters effected so desire.

ARTICLE II - Dues

Section II - Changed to read: Dues of Chapter Members shall be \$3.00 per year for an individual member or \$5.00 per year for a family unit of two persons with a single mailing address. Term of membership shall be one year from the first day of the closest calendar quarter on the date dues are paid. Chapter memberships shall be paid to the local chapter and reported to the International Treasurer on the forms provided as follows:

- a. Remains the same.
- b. Remains the same.
- c. Recinded.

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RESOLUTION (Cont'd)

ARTICLE XII, Section III - add: Members-At-Large may be transferred to membership in a local chapter upon written application to the International Treasurer, signed by both the member concerned and the chapter president, on forms furnished by the American Hibiscus Society. Dues of transfer members shall become due on the first day of the closest calendar quarter to the expiration date of their current membership.

ARTICLE IV, Section I - add subsection a. All members in good standing are eligible for election to offices of this corporation. Past Presidents shall not be eligible for election to the offices of President or Vice President.

ARTICLE IV, Section II - add subsection a. The President shall be eligible for re-election to one additional, successive, one year term.

Presented by and passed unanimously by:
Ridge Chapter A.H.S.
February 6, 1966

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REDBIRD AND HIBISCUS

The redbird is hibiscus red
From flirting tail to top-knot red.
Ghost of a scarlet bloom that fled
From some hibiscus long since dead.
The redbird is hibiscus red.

The hibiscus flower is redbird red,
Living spirit of a bird that's dead;
Perched on things with bobbing head,
Here in the shrub from which he fled.
The hibiscus flower is redbird red.

- Margaret Matthews

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